

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 541 - HB 618

February 28, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Introduces the assertion of the affirmative defense of solicitation and collection of charitable donations to the criminal offense of obstructing a highway in Williamson and Maury counties.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Present law provides the affirmative defense to the Class C misdemeanor offense of obstructing a highway or other passageway; however, such affirmative defense is not available in Maury County or Williamson County under current law.
- The bill permits in Maury and Williamson counties the assertion of the affirmative defense of solicitation and collection of charitable donations to the criminal offense of obstructing a highway.
- The Department of Safety confirms this bill will have no fiscal impact on departmental operations.
- The Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS), Tennessee Sheriffs Association and the County Technical Advisory Service (CTAS) all confirm this bill will have no fiscal impact on local operations.
- There will not be a sufficient change in number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any changes to revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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